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The New President of A. P. I.

THE FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER became the historical date for the beginning of a new era at Auburn. For on October 1 Ralph Draughon, '22, was unanimously elected president of Alabama Polytechnic Institute by the College Board of Trustees.

Called in to the board meeting when the announcement was made, Dr. Draughon, visibly moved, said, "Thank you very much, Governor and gentlemen of the Board of Trustees. Of course, I realize this is the greatest honor that could come to any member of the staff of Auburn."

Finding it difficult to proceed with his acceptance remarks, he concluded, "I think we'd all better go and eat."

New President's Career

Elevation of Dr. Draughon to the presidency climaxed a 16-year career of the native Geneva Countian at Auburn. He was a member of the teaching faculty for six years before being named executive secretary in 1937. Upon the death of the late President Luther Noble Duncan in August, 1947, Dr. Draughon was chosen acting president.

Auburn's new president is 49 years old and a native of south Alabama. He was born at Hartford, Ala., in Geneva County, and spent his younger life at the county seat, Geneva.

His mother, Mrs. John W. Draughon, still lives at Geneva, as do two of his brothers. His father was clerk of the circuit court there for a number of years.

When a student at A.P.I., Dr. Draughon actively participated in campus activities. He has said that he then fully intended to study journalism and to specialize in editorial writing.

Interest in Journalism

His interest in journalism grew out of his work on the *Plainsman*, Auburn student publication. He was one of the first Auburn students to receive keys for their work upon the staff of the *Plainsman*. Dr. Draughon himself, as assistant to the editor-in-chief, was one of the originators of the appellation, "The Auburn Plainsman," the paper until that time having been called "The Orange and the Blue."

During his college days, Dr. Draughon was also an avid class-baseball player. Then, the Auburn baseball teams were distinguished by class numbers, and Ralph Draughon played second base on his team for three years.

His Studies

President Draughon graduated from A.P.I. in 1922 with a B.S. degree and later took his

Forty-nine Year Old Member

Of the Class of '22

Is Appointed Permanent President

President Draughon is a Kiwanian, Mason, Phi Kappa Phi, Tau Kappa Alpha, Kappa Delta Pi, Omicron Delta Kappa, and a member of the National Education Association and the Alabama Educational Association,

As a member of Auburn's history department, he aided the debate club here, helping to build it into the group which it is today. For his services he was made an honorary member of Tau Kappa Alpha, speech fraternity.

Dr. Draughon is especially fond of history and biography. His personal library is one of the best-rounded in Auburn.

In moments of relaxation, he fishes in the area around Auburn and in south Alabama. He is one of the most expert fly fishermen in Auburn. Recently, he acquired an outboard motor, and on the weekends he can frequently be found in a boat at Lake Auburn or Ogletree Lake enjoying the quiet of an afternoon's fishing.

President Draughon has stated that he plans to make the Auburn Creed his guiding principle during his administration. The Creed, composed by Dr. George Petrie, beloved member of the A.P.I. faculty who died last year, has been taught Auburnites since its first publication in the *Auburn Plainsman*.

THE AUBURN CREED

I believe that this is a practical world and that I can count only on what I earn. Therefore, I believe in work, hard work.

I believe in education, which gives me the knowledge to work wisely and trains my mind and my hands to work skillfully.

I believe in honesty and truthfulness, without which I cannot win the respect and confidence of my fellow men.

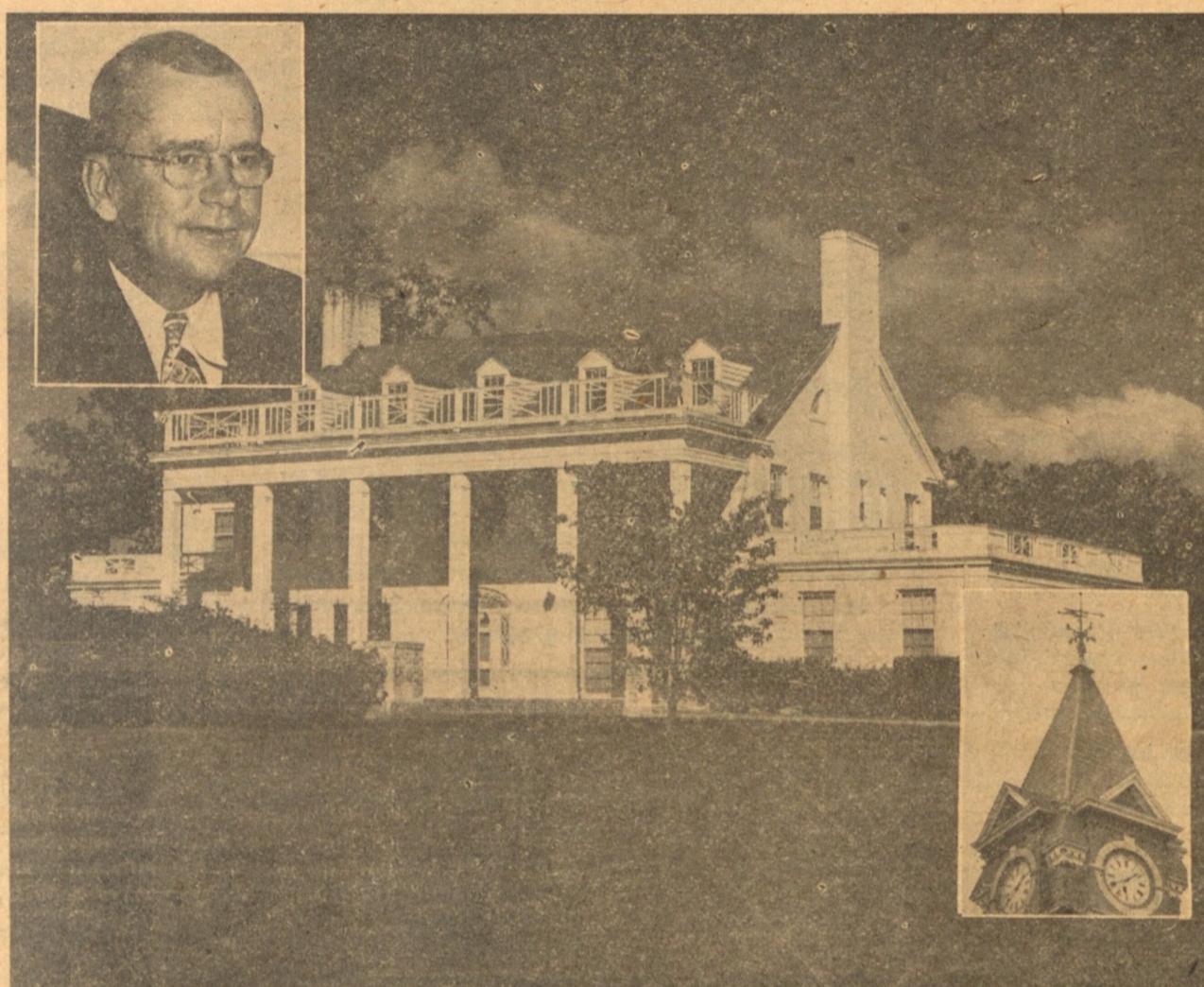
I believe in a sound mind in a sound body and a spirit that is not afraid, and in clean sports that develop these qualities.

I believe in obedience to law because it protects the rights of all.

I believe in the human touch, which cultivates sympathy with my fellow men and mutual helpfulness and brings happiness for all.

I believe in my country, because it is a land of freedom and because it is my own home, and that I can best serve that country by "doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with my God."

And because Auburn men and women believe in these things, I believe in Auburn and love It.



The Samford clock, lower right above, shows the time, 1:40 p. m., October 1, that Ralph Draughon,

left inset, was named president of A. P. I. The president's mansion appears in the background

M.S. in history. He did subsequent graduate work at the University of Chicago. At Birmingham Southern College's June commencement exercises this year, he was awarded an honorary LL.D. degree for outstanding work in the field of higher education.

Dr. Draughon came to the Auburn faculty in 1931 as an instructor in history. He had previously been a high school principal and had received recognition for the excellent job of school administration that he had performed.

Offices in College

President Draughon was named executive secretary under the late Pres. Duncan in 1937. He became director of instruction when that position was created in 1944, and served in that capacity until the death of Dr. Duncan in July, 1947. In August, 1947, he was named acting president of the college.

The new Auburn president is widely known in southern educational circles, having served with distinction on the Executive Council of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He also served as director of the Governor's Emergency Committee on Higher Education under Governor Chauncey Sparks.

His Family

Dr. Draughon was married in 1931 to the former Caroline Marshall, of Orrville, Ala., a graduate of Huntingdon. They have two children, Ann, 16, and Ralph, Jr., 12, both of whom attend Lee County High School.

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THE AUBURN CLUB of Tokyo, Japan, has announced the election of the following officers:

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To Everybody

Happy?

By Harry M. "Happy" Davis

Executive Secretary

Auburn Alumni Association



IT IS THE WEEK BEFORE Homecoming and down here in Auburn it's a cold, dreary day. We think perhaps our monsoon season has set in early—I hope you haven't forgotten how generally starts raining about the fall term and as a rule, stays rather moist until spring.

We haven't let it dampen our spirits, because right at the present moment there is a new atmosphere, a new spirit at Auburn. We've just witnessed our largest enrollment. The campus is abuzz with a freshness prevalent only in younger group.

Today, even though rainy and cold for September, seemed aglow, with all the pretty young coeds coming out in their new, bright-colored raincoats. Warm greetings are being exchanged amongst friends and classmates. Then, too, the Auburn Tiger growled for the first time in several years last Friday night. Auburn was determined to win, and they did... over a good football team.

Bright Spots

To those who were unable to witness the football game Friday against Mississippi Southern, there were some bright spots other than the score.

Number one was the determination to win. Number two was the defensive line play; number three was the end play of Erskine Russell; number four was the sporadic evidence of blocking and tackling which should become more prevalent with time.

This opinion comes to you through the courtesy of one who is totally unqualified, and free of charge. Our weaknesses—well, we know them. But let the scouts find them. I am telling.

Board Meeting

This is Monday, September 27, 1948, and we hear the Board will meet to conduct routine business on Friday, October 1. Rumors are rampant and before this reaches the press on about October 15, you should know everything.

P. S. Three guesses, though!

Speech Making

I am to speak to a women's group tonight and haven't the slightest idea what I'm going to talk about... The telephone keeps ringing and everybody, all of a sudden, wants to know about Homecoming.

Past Officers

Mr. William F. Byrd, 1947-48 Alumni President, and Gentlemen of the Executive Committee; namely, William S. Hurst, Frank S. McFadden, E. Russell Moulton, Clyde A. Pruitt, T. A. Russell, Jr., and Guy M. Spearman—please take a bow.

Unsung though your efforts may be, you have had a busy year. So much for so little. But that, we mean you have given so much of your valuable time and have received so little in return.

You have traveled to Auburn on many occasions to help and assist in untangling many trying problems. You have traveled on your own time and at your own expense... maybe for not even the thanks you should have received.

But, as we have said before, if you expect to get the most out of life, don't expect appreciation. You'll get that, though, and more, too. There will never be a busier year nor a more trying one. There will be very few more successful, so that your efforts are not "labor lost." So from me to you (and from all of us), thanks to you for all that you did.

THE AUBURN ALUMNEWS

ALUMNUS of the MONTH

Sheldon Toomer, '93, Led the Search
For a President of Auburn

The Guardian of A.P.I.

SHELDON TOOMER'S LIFE has been so closely interwoven with the history of Auburn that he may well be called the Guardian of Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Not a single cornerstone of a single A.P.I. edifice has been laid without first having received Mr. Toomer's close observation, one of his quiet ways of giving service to his alma mater.

It is Mr. Toomer who has helped conduct the hunt for a president of A.P.I. As a member of the Board of Trustees, he was last year named chairman of the committee.

On the Board of Trustees, Mr. Toomer further serves as a member of both the Executive Committee and the Budget Committee. His fatherly interest in Auburn, its students, and its younger alumni has followed the growth of A.P.I. from a minor school handling only thousands of dollars each year, to a major institution, handling millions of dollars annually.

In this college town, where he owns the Toomer Drug Store and the Toomer Hardware Company, and where he is president of the Bank of Auburn and of the Auburn Ice and Coal Company, Mr. Toomer is known to his business and social friends as "Shell."

Family Background

"Shell" Toomer was born in Opelika, Alabama, in 1872, the son of Sheldon and Willie Lyne Toomer, natives of Portsmouth, Virginia. His mother was a member of the distinguished Lyne family and daughter of William B. Lyne, captain in the U. S. Navy.

Capt. William B. Lyne, according to Mr. Toomer, was returning from a cruise with the fleet in the Indian Ocean, when he was blown from his ship in a storm in Hampton Roads, Va. His family recovered his sword, and it hangs today in the Toomer household, a symbol of Shell's sturdy family background.

Mr. Toomer's father, also named Sheldon, came to Alabama in 1858 and settled in Montgomery, where he enlisted in the Confederate Army as a member of the Metropolitan Guard. He served with this detachment until he was wounded severely at Malvern Hill. Promoted to the rank of Captain, he continued in service until the close of the war.

That was in 1866, and in the same year he established himself in the practice of law at Opelika, Alabama, where he resided until his death in 1872. He was the first state representative of Lee County, Alabama, after it was created from Macon County.

Attends Auburn

Growing up under the shadow of A.P.I., then the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College, Sheldon Toomer naturally attended Auburn. He received his B.S. in chemistry and agriculture in 1893. For the following three years he was connected with Texas A & M.

However, he returned to Auburn in 1896, and studied pharmacy. He graduated in this course in 1897. With this groundwork behind him, Mr. Toomer established the Toomer Drug Company.



Alumnus of the Month Sheldon Lyne Toomer, '93 has long been one of Auburn's best-known alumni

As one writer has said of Mr. Toomer, "His most remarkable advance has come through his own efforts, and is but the legitimate result of good management and sound business policies." So successful are Mr. Toomer's policies with employees that Hugh Tamplin, clerk in the Toomer Drug Company, has been with the company for 40 years, and a former employee, Rufus Jenkins, remained with Mr. Toomer for 44 years.

Business Activities

Mr. Toomer became a member of the Auburn City Council in 1898, and served in that part of his city's government for 24 years. He was for many years chairman of the Auburn Board of Education and was one of the organizers of the Auburn Ice and Coal Company, of which he is still president. He also was an organizer and director of the Auburn Gin Company.

A charter member of the Villagers Civic Club and of the Rotary Club, he has been president of both organizations. He has also held the presidency of the Alabama Pharmaceutical Association, the Ogletree Outing Club, the Auburn Golf Club (of which he was an organizer and first president) and the old Auburn Chamber of Commerce.

Fraternally, Mr. Toomer is a member of

Up Into the Wee Hours

UP INTO THE WEE HOURS of the morning of Homecoming Day, Jack Simms and his staff worked on a special issue of *The Auburn Plainsman* for returning alumni.

We believe that Jack and his staff deserve special congratulations for the Alumni Issue of the *Plainsman*; therefore, we take this opportunity to thank the *Plainsman* staff, on behalf of the alumni of A.P.I.

Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity and of Rho Chi national honorary pharmaceutical fraternity.

In the Way of Sports

In athletics, he played right halfback position on the first Tiger varsity in 1892, made a letter in football, and is a member of the "A" Club.

In addition to his interest in football, Mr. Toomer is also interested in fishing and hunting. In 1946, the "Alabama Game and Fish News" wrote of him: "... Shell Toomer is a 'natural' when it comes to hunting and fishing."

"I fish and hunt," explains Mr. Toomer, "and I've been doing both all my life. I'm a caster—I love to cast—and I used to be a pretty good shot. I'm not much of a turkey man—takes too much time—but I've killed some in my time. I enjoy hunting deer, and now I've taken up fox hunting."

While a member of the Alabama State Conservation Board, Mr. Toomer was "intensely interested in the State's conservation program," and he is responsible for the present Chewacla State Park near Auburn.

Shell Toomer represented Auburn and Lee County in the Alabama House of Representatives under both Governor Bibb Graves and Governor Frank Dixon. He served his home area as a state senator under Governor Chauncey Sparks. During Governor Dixon's administration, he was appointed to the A. P. I. Board of Trustees.

Spiritual Accomplishments

Regardless of his many business accomplishments, Shell Toomer can look back, with happiness filling his heart, upon the spiritual gifts which he has presented Auburn town and A.P.I. students. He was partly responsible for the erection of the present Episcopal Church in Auburn, and he has been a member of the vestry of that church for 30 years.

In 1919, Mr. Toomer married Miss Florence Marguerite Prendergast, a native of Montreal, Canada. At the time of her marriage, she was head of the French Department at Birmingham High School, Birmingham, Alabama, and secretary of Alliance Francaise, which she organized in Birmingham as a branch of the National Alliance Francaise. She is a graduate of the University of Chicago.

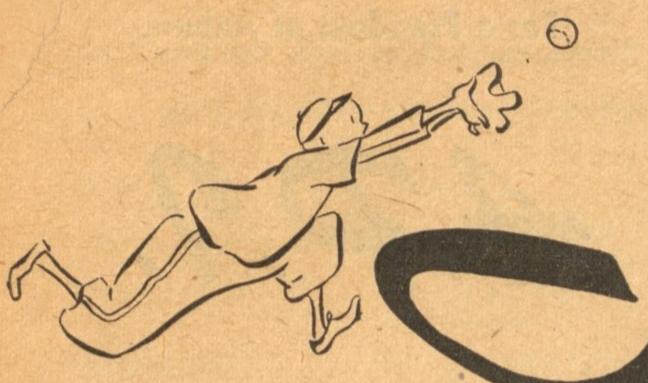
Mr. and Mrs. Toomer have two children, both graduates of A.P.I. They are Sheldon Lyne, Jr., and Mrs. John Hall, nee Margaret Francis Toomer.

"Only 19 Grads"

"There were only 19 grads in my class of '93," Mr. Toomer said. "Not a single coed in the class. In fact, not a single one on the campus."

Shell Toomer's eyes light up when he talks about Auburn. For almost three quarters of a century, Alabama Polytechnic Institute has been topmost in his heart.

Many readers of the *Alumnews* have written tributes to him and to his work for Auburn. So it is only fitting that Shell Toomer be chosen by Auburn as its Alumnus of the Month. To Shell Toomer, Guardian of A.P.I., we say "thank you" for what you have done for your community, your school, and your State.



Sportz



Cross Your Fingers and Stand By!

It's One Won and Seven to Go

By Bob Ingram, Sports Editor

WITH TWO HARD FOUGHT games under their belts, Coach Earl Brown's Auburn Tigers journeyed to Tampa last weekend to open their 1948 Southeastern Conference schedule with the University of Florida 'Gators.

If nothing else was learned from the first three Auburn games of this infant season, Tiger fans were taught one thing—that this 1948 eleven likes to give them thrills. In fact, they nearly overdid it, with their storybook finishes.

Mississippi Southern

Opening up the season with rugged Mississippi Southern in Cramton Bowl, Montgomery, the Tigers displayed a fast, hard-charging line, a host of high stepping backs, and a decided weakness in pass defense. This latter weakness nearly cost them the ball game.

After the Tigers had gone into a 14-0 lead on touchdowns by Tidwell and Pelfrey, the Deltas from Mississippi unleashed a passing attack that wouldn't stop. "Hindu" Reynolds scored the first Southern six-pointer on a sensational end zone grab.

A few moments later Reynolds grabbed another aerial and dashed to the Auburn three, where Sonny Carr ran it over on the next play to tie the ball game up at 14-14. A recovered fumble set Auburn rolling on their winning touchdown drive.

Two line plays netted 20 yards, and then with only 39 seconds remaining, little Freddie Gafford shot off tackle, cut to the outside and behind superb blocking went into the end zone standing up. Final score: Auburn 20, Mississippi Southern 14.

Outstanding in this fine Auburn win was the play of Auburn's line. From end to end, they were blocking, tackling, playing heads-up football.

Louisiana Tech

The following weekend, playing before a capacity Homecoming crowd, the Plainsmen ran up against a stubborn Louisiana Tech eleven and had to be satisfied with a 13-13 tie. The Tigers seemingly had the situation well in hand in the first half, as they scored one touchdown, and had two others nullified because of penalties.

Auburn drove 78 yards for their first score. Tidwell and Inman were the big guns in this drive, Tidwell finally buling his way over from the two.

Earlier in the opening period, Jocko Norton had scampered 70 yards for a touchdown on a punt return, only to have the play called back. Midway of the second period, a Tidwell to Russell touchdown pass covering 46 yards was also nullified.

Louisiana Tech came back in the third period to tie the ball game up. Harrison took an Auburn punt and returned it 52 yards to the Auburn 24. Seven plays later, Harrison went over from the one. With time running out in the fourth quarter, Auburn took to the air, but a Tidwell pass fell into the arms of Tech's Mathews who dashed 60 yards for a touchdown. The placement for point was good, and Tech led 13-6.

On the next kickoff, big Ray Pelfrey gather-



Travis Tidwell, directly behind referee, is pictured driving his way into the La. Tech end zone for Aub-

urn's first touchdown in the Homecoming game. Other Tigers are Russell, 85; Inman, 30; and Fluornoy, 42.

ed in the ball on his own 13, cut to the west sideline, and went 87 yards for a touchdown. The blocking on this play was beautiful to watch. Blocking Back Jim McDaniel was called on to try for the extra point, and he came through in fine style, splitting the uprights with a perfect kick, and the ball game was all tied up, 13-13.

Auburn had one final opportunity to win the game in the final minutes when a Tech fumble on the 17 was recovered by the Bengals. Unable to make any headway through the fine Tech line, a field goal was attempted by Pyburn, but missed.

The Tigers showed in this game, as they did in the opener, that they had the stuff to get up off their backs and get back into the ball game. It is this sort of stuff which is likely to deal misery to some unsuspecting opponent this fall.

FLORIDA

Tampa, Florida, (Oct. 9, 1948)—The Auburn Tigers suffered their first defeat of the 1948 season here tonight in a bitterly contested battle with the University of Florida Alligators. The final score was Florida, 16, Auburn, 9. A sell-out crowd of over 20,000 fans, jammed into Phillips Field, witnessed one of the fiercest football games any two teams ever put on.

Auburn, a two-touchdown underdog in pre-game betting, put on a terrific struggle, and except for a heartbreaking fumble deep in Florida territory in the closing minutes of the game might have pulled the game out of the fire.

Florida marched 56 yards the first time they got their hands on the ball to register a touchdown, with Griffin going over from the 17. This drive required only seven plays. Auburn came right back, taking the kickoff and going the distance of the field to tie the game up 7-7. Auburn's marker came on a Tidwell to Russell pass which covered 41 yards.

The second quarter was scoreless, although Florida did make one serious threat. A pass put the ball on the Auburn 2, first and goal. But here the Tiger line rose up and slammed the Gators back to the 12 yard line in three plays. A field goal was attempted on fourth down, but failed.

Taking the second half kickoff, the Gators

drove 54 yards for the game winning marker. Chuck Hunsinger, the best of several good Florida backs, carried the ball over from the 23, and Florida led 14-7. Later on in the third quarter, Erskine Russell broke through to block a Florida punt. The ball rolled into the end zone and in a wild scramble was finally recovered by a Florida man for a safety, giving Auburn two more points.

The fourth quarter was all Auburn, as the Plainsmen uncorked an offensive operating from the "T" which nearly spelled doom for the favored Gators. Twice the Tigers drove down the field deep into Gator territory, only to lose the ball on a fumble on the 17, and later on an intercepted pass halted them on the Florida 22. Florida added two more points to their side of the ledger in the closing seconds of the game when Tidwell, in trying to throw a pass from his own end zone, was thrown for a safety.

The Frosh Team . . .

THE AUBURN FROSH FOOTBALL team won over the Georgia Bullpups on October 8 by one point. Coming through on a blocked punt in the last moments of the game, the freshmen piled up the necessary seven points, to place the final score at Auburn, 14; Georgia, 13.

The Tiger Cubs scored on a 62-yard drive in the first quarter, with a 41-yard pass from full-back Bill Tucker to end Tom Edwards picking up most of the yardage. Tucker took it over on a line buck from the three and then converted on the try for a point.

The Bulldog's freshmen team struck back early in the second. An Auburn fumble was recovered on the Tiger 34-yard-line. Quarterback Billy Grant subsequently passed 11 yards to end Son Stevenson for the score. Haskik failed to convert.

Georgia went ahead in the third. Tackle Dick Steele broke through to block Tucker's punt on the 20. The ball rolled into the end zone, where McGee fell on it for a touchdown. Haskik's try for the point was successful.

With four minutes to play remaining, Georgia was penalized from its 23 to the eighth for holding. Stevenson's kick was blocked by Auburn Guard Jim Brooks in the end zone, and a mass of Tiger players fell on the ball. Tucker again converted to give Auburn its one-point margin.

On the Campus

Cammack New President

GILLIS CAMMACK, mechanical engineering student from Selma, Ala., has taken over the student government reins at Auburn this quarter. Gillis was elected unopposed for the job of

An Alabama Congressional Delegation visited A.P.I. last month to inspect the Agricultural Experiment Station and to hear reports on the developments in Alabama's agricultural program. Pictured left to right before their meeting in Duncan Hall are: Sen. Lister L. Rep. Bob Jones, Rep. Ed DeGraffenreid, M. J. Funchess, dean of the School of Agriculture, Rep. Albert Rains, Rep. George Grant, Rep. George Andrews, Sen. J. J. Sparkman, and Rep. Sam Hobbs.

president of the Student Executive Cabinet.

Dick O'Cain ended a year's service as president of the Cabinet when he graduated at the end of last quarter. Dick is a native of Durant, Miss.

Orr Replaces Bannister

PROFESSOR FRANK MARION ORR, '14, has been appointed Acting Dean of the School of Architecture and the Arts, to replace Dean Turpin C. Bannister, who has resigned.

Professor Orr has been a member of the faculty for 21 years. He has received an undergraduate and a graduate degree from A.P.I.

As a member of the faculty, he has served for three years as assistant professor of the course. He was professor of architecture for 12 years.

Acting Dean Orr is a member of the Episcopal Church, the American Institute of Architects, Lambda Chi Alpha, Tau Beta Pi, and he held the rank of lieutenant colonel during World War II.

New AIO President

MARION T. "BOB" WILLIAMS is the new president of the Auburn Independent Organization. Bob, a junior in industrial management from Shreveport, La., replaces Ray Fowler.

Record Enrollment

IT'S CROWDED AS ALL GET OUT on these Auburn streets once more. A record-enrollment of almost 8,000 students has been recorded by A.P.I. Registrar Charles W. Edwards. Nearly 3,500 students pre-registered last August, and almost 4,500 students enrolled in September.

Veterinary School Gets Charter

THE NATIONAL HONORARY SOCIETY of Phi Zeta has granted a charter to the School of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. R. S. Sugg, V.M. dean, announced recently.

With the granting of the charter, A.P.I. formed the Epsilon chapter. Dr. M. W. Allen, national president from the University of Pennsylvania, was here for the first organizational meeting.

The objects of the society are to recognize



and promote scholarship and research in matters pertaining to the welfare and diseases of animals.

Officers of the Auburn chapter are: Dean R. S. Sugg, '14, president; Dr. J. E. Greene, '33, vice president; Dr. A. A. Leibold, secretary. The executive committee consists of Drs. N. D. Crandall, T. C. Fitzgerald, W. J. Gibbons, E. S. Winters, and Mr. T. W. Oliver.

Other members are Dr. W. S. Bailey, '42; J. C. Ellis, Baton Rouge, La.; J. M. Livingston, Woodford, S. C.; T. W. Oliver, Montgomery, Ala.; J. W. Pearce, High Point, N. C.; and H. E. Purvis, Mendex, Ga.

"Statistics Applied to Research"

MORE THAN 50 RESEARCH scientists and statisticians from 12 states gathered at A.P.I. during the first week in September for a three-day conference on "statistics applied to research."

Dr. T. A. Bancroft, head of the statistical laboratory here, was in charge of the conference, which sought to provide a short intensive training period in applied statistics pertaining to the social, plant, and animal sciences.

President of the American Statistical Association, Professor George W. Snedecor, '03, was one of the principal speakers. Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, '22, president of A.P.I., delivered a welcoming address to the delegates, representing the land grant colleges and agricultural experiment stations in the Southeast.

The conference was financed by a grant-in-aid of \$2,000 from the General Education Board.

Cancer Grant

AUBURN WILL BE THE RECIPIENT of a \$19,000 grant from the American Cancer So-

cietry for research projects in 1949. Announcement of the grant to A.P.I. was made in Birmingham, Ala., by Mrs. Lillian G. Meade, executive director of the Alabama division of the national society.

Writes Own Book

IF SOPHOMORE PHYSICS STUDENTS don't like their text book this quarter, they'd better not complain to the professor!

Arthur G. Crafts, assistant professor of physics, has just completed his own text book, "A Short Course in Physics," and he's using it right now on his sophomore students.

The professor began work on his book in September, 1946, at the suggestion of Dr. Fred Allison, Head of the Physics Department. He completed the book last June, and it has been printed in lithograph form by Edwards Brothers, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Five hundred copies have already been printed of the 300-page text.

Student wives did all of Professor Crafts' typing, and John M. Bridges, architecture student from Bessemer, Ala., did the illustrations.

Originally from Atlanta, Ga., Prof. Crafts came to Auburn in December, 1944. He has been a member of the faculty at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Penna., and at the University of North Carolina. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia.

Plainsman Wins Honor

THE 39TH ALL-AMERICAN critical service rating for college newspapers placed the **Auburn Plainsman** in the top 16 newspapers of its type in the nation for the spring quarter of 1948, according to a bulletin published by the Associated Press at the University of Minnesota.

Jimmy Coleman, senior in applied art, served as editor during the period that this rating was made. His managing editor was Tom Sellers, '48, who is now connected with the Associated Press in Birmingham, Ala.

New NROTC Commander

Captain L. M. Markham, Jr., right, has assumed duties at A.P.I. as professor of naval science and commanding officer of the Navy ROTC Unit. Capt Markham is a native of Colorado and a graduate of Annapolis.



Above are Miss Homecoming 1948 and her court. Left to right are Merle Godwin, Al Durrance, Billie June

Sanders, Ralph Jennings, Bob Vann, Francis Carter, Carolyn Braswell, Hugh Griffith, and Joy Love

Auburn's First Lady

Mrs. Draughon Is Another Reason Auburn Can Be Very Proud Of Its "First Family"

IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT behind every successful man there stands a good wife. Such is true, anyway, in the case of new A.P.I. President Ralph B. Draughon, '22, and Auburn's new First Lady, Mrs. Draughon.

Mrs. Draughon, the former Caroline Marshall, of Orrville, Ala., member of a prominent Black Belt family, came to Auburn as a bride. President and Mrs. Draughon's children, Ann, 16, and Ralph, Jr., 12, were both born in Auburn while their father was a member of the A.P.I. history faculty.

Caroline Draughon was a lovely and scintillating student at the Woman's College of Montgomery, Ala., now Huntingdon, when she first met her future husband. He had gone to Orrville, her home town, as principal of the high school there. The couple were married immediately after Caroline's graduation in June, 1931.

The First Days

Starting off married life in depression days was not a simple matter and took much planning, the young Draughons soon discovered. Right after they moved to Auburn, where Ralph Draughon was appointed to the history faculty in 1931, members of the A.P.I. faculty really felt the depression.

They received only small portions of their regular monthly salaries. But the Draughons took the situation in stride and weathered it successfully.

Ann and Ralph, Jr.

Much of Caroline's time is spent with her children. Now in high school, Ann is currently a cheerleader and having great fun participating in high school activities.

Young Ralph, known to family and friends as Bubber, takes after his father in his love of reading. He, too, is especially fond of history, and also greatly enjoys music.

Caroline Draughon's many friends have always marvelled at her capacity for accomplishing such a great variety of things with such ease. The demands upon her time have been ceaseless, but throughout it all she has maintained a cheerful composure and deep interest in all she has undertaken.

Rarely has a woman given more complete attention to her husband and children than has A.P.I.'s new first lady. Their attractive home in Pinedale is a reflection of her time and talents.

Versatile

She sews well, cooks well, and can even dress a string of fish caught by her fisherman husband with as much skill as a doctor wields a scalpel. She has taken an active part in civic



In this study of the Draughon family appears l. to r., Ralph, Jr., Mrs. Draughon, Dr. Draughon and Ann

and P.T.A. work, and in Episcopal church work.

She loves to dig in her flower garden and thoroughly enjoys swimming and picnicking during the summer months with her children.

Amazingly enough, she finds time to read and keep on her tip toes concerning questions of state, nation, and world. She likes people, and nothing pleases her more than a good conversational session with her husband and friends.

But even while vivaciously debating a current issue, her fingers are busy with needlework, whether at her own home or at the home of friends.

With sparkling gray eyes, fresh, rosy complexion, and black hair showing a distinguished premature gray streak, she is greatly admired for her beauty as well as for her warm personality.

Social Activities

During the past year, since Dr. Draughon was made acting president, there has hardly been a tea or a social function at which Caroline has not poured or received. She has graciously assumed her official responsibilities as wife of the acting president, and she has dispatched them with efficiency and charm.

The college and town have come to learn even better her boundless talents and can now look forward to a continued era of graciousness and hospitality with Caroline Draughon as wife of the permanent president.

The First Greater Auburn Fund

THE FIRST GREATER AUBURN FUND passed away joyfully on its death bed when the Samford Hall clock struck twelve, July 31. It passed away joyfully because it had completed its course, it had given 2,607 loyal Auburn alumni the chance to contribute \$46,288.68 for a greater Auburn, and it knew that its purpose would be perpetuated in the Second Greater Auburn Fund.

To celebrate the success of the First Greater Auburn Fund, the Alumni Association is forwarding to all the alumni upon its mailing list a "1947-48 Loyalty Roll Call," containing the names of all contributors to the Fund.

The bulletin includes messages from Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, '22, new president of A.P.I., and from William F. "Bill" Byrd, '21,

former president of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Twenty-one per cent of the 12,397 alumni solicited contributed to the First Greater Auburn Fund. The average amount per alumnus was \$3.43, whereas the average amount per alumnus contributing was \$16.33.

Clubs Contribute

The Columbus Auburn Club contributed \$4,000 to the fund, the Morgan County Auburn Club, \$500, and the Sumter County Auburn Club, \$10.68. Friends of Auburn contributed \$3,718.55.

Ninety-seven per cent of the class of 1908 contributed, which placed that class far in the lead on the basis of percentage of members contributing. The Class of 1940 ranked highest in the amount contributed, its members contributing \$3,363.

With the Faculty

FORTY-EIGHT ADDITIONS have been made to the faculty at A.P.I., according to a statement released from the Personnel Office. The list of new instructors boasts outstanding men from almost every phase of education, and from all sections of the country.

The School of Agriculture

Three new members have been assigned to the School of Agriculture. W. E. Knight, now in agronomy and soils, received his B. S. from Auburn in 1942. Returning is C. C. O'Mary, Dr. R. L. Cannon, in dairy husbandry, comes here from the University of Wisconsin, where he received his Ph.D.

The Forestry Department has two new members. They are Henry Dorr, with an M.S. from Michigan, who comes from the University of Tennessee, and W. W. Gaskins, formerly a research assistant at Michigan State, where he took his M.S.

Architecture and Arts

Numerous changes have been made in the faculty of the School of Architecture and Arts. In architecture is Gabriel Gueurekian, who received his degree in Vienna and taught at the French Academy in Sarreburg.

From Clemson comes R. L. Anderson, with an A.B. from Princeton. Returning to teach at A.P.I. is W. B. McGehee, '46. In applied art is J. B. Hale, with an M.F.A. from Southern California. Also in applied arts is Basil Cimino.

R. C. Eberle will instruct in dramatic arts; he comes from North Carolina, where he received his M.A. New band master is David Herbert, from LSU, where he took his M.M.Ed. Also in the Music Department will be R. L. Collins, graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory, and T. B. Turbyfill, who took his M. A. at Washington State.

Chemistry adds another A.P.I. graduate, W. W. Ransom, '46.

School of Education

Two new members have joined the School of Education faculty, S. C. McIntyre, and Dr. M. G. Riggs, who comes here from Oklahoma A & M, having received his Ph.D. at Ohio State.

Two graduates returned to the School of Engineering, James Ray, '47, who holds his bachelor's degree in civil engineering, and P. M. Smith, who has his degree in mechanical engineering.

The Home Economics faculty adds two members with M.A.'s from Columbia, Mildred Van de Mark and Jeanette Hall.

Three new members join the physical education department. To teach men's physical education, A. C. Martincic comes from Iowa, where he took his M.A. Frances Golden and Geneva Myrick, both graduates of Alabama College, will instruct in girl's physical education.

The economic department has added eight members. They are H. J. Hudek, D. C. Leavens, H. W. Wissner, M. L. Greenhut, Camille Cook, R. F. Smith, and H. G. Schaller. Mrs. Cook holds and L.L.B. from the University of Alabama. Mr. Wissner took his master's at Pittsburgh, Mr. Greenhut, at Washington, Mr. Smith, at North Texas State Teachers, and Mr. Schaller at Northwestern.

Miss Dora McGowan is a new faculty member in the secretarial training department. She holds an M.A. from Kentucky.

The English department also has a number of new names. Dr. F. B. Davis, who took his doctorate at LSU, comes to Auburn from Colorado A & M. Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Sorenson both join the English faculty, coming here from the University of Denver.

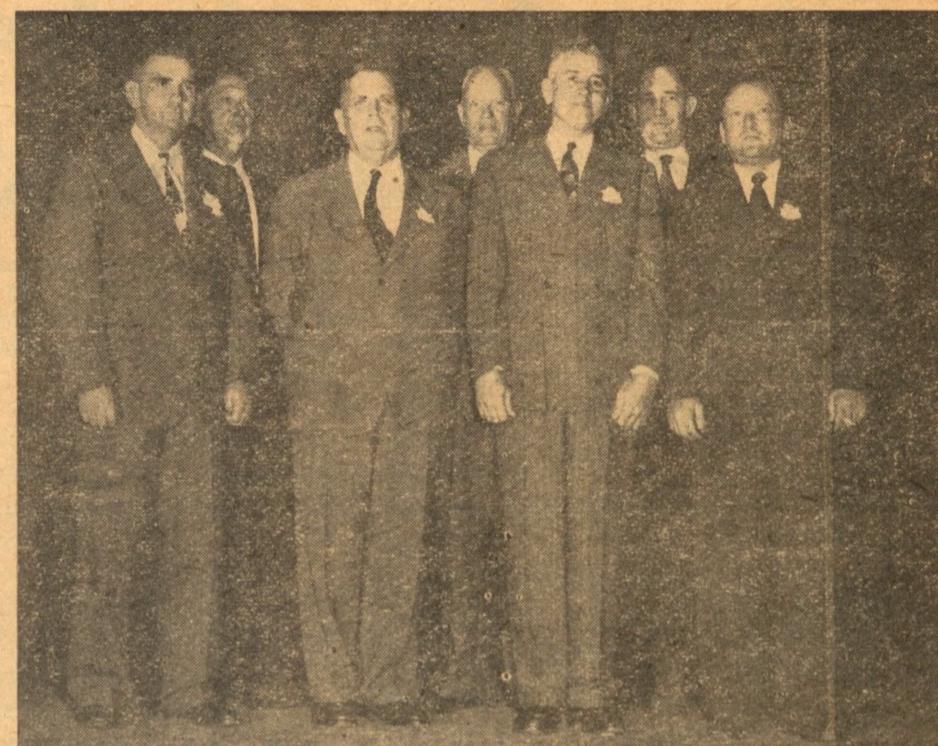
Mr. Sorenson holds a Ph.D. from Stanford, and Mrs. Sorenson, a B.A. from Brigham Young.

Coming from Iowa is H. K. Thurman. Another newcomer is P. C. Burnette, who earned his M. A. at LSU, as did new member Arthibald Henderson.

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Winner of the first prize for Homecoming decorations was Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, shown above



New officers of the Alumni Association, above left to right, are F. P. Currie, '29; Sam Browne, '01; W. D. Hall, '11; Bill Byrd, '21; President F. M. Malone, '28; C. A. Basore, '14; and Fred Osborn, '22

Homecoming Was A Hit

Homecoming Reports and Prizes

Give the Students and Alumni

Something to Talk About

IT'S ALL OVER. The last left-over scraps of paper have been picked up off the campus sidewalks. Alumni have returned to their homes in points east, north, south, and west.

It was one of the most Auburn-spirited Homecomings that A.P.I. has ever seen. Beginning Friday, October 1, with a Dutch supper for alumni at the Casino, and extending through a closely fought football game with Louisiana Tech, Homecoming this year saw the return of hundreds of alumni to their alma mater.

Fraternity Decorations

Students were hard at work on Friday afternoon and Friday evening getting their Homecoming decorations up. Lambda Chi Alpha's winning decoration sported an LCA Cafe serving the Auburn Tiger with a platter of La. Tech Bulldog.

A large Lambda Chi menu advertised such delicacies as Tossed Tulane Salad and Mashed Mississippi Southern. Across the lawn, in the "kitchen," Coach Earl Brown, the faculty, and the alumni were keeping the Tech Bulldog in the stew. A large recipe, the same size as the menu, gave the ingredients for a greater Auburn.

Phi Kappa Tau, using as its theme a Tiger-crat Convention, and Alpha Tau Omega, using as its theme a circus, came out with second and third prizes, respectively.

The Lambda Chis, on Saturday morning of Homecoming weekend, had a mortgage-burning ceremony attended by almost 100 alumni and members of the chapter.

Alumni Meeting

At Saturday morning's annual alumni meeting, Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, '22, new president of the Institution, welcomed the alumni home. He stated that the Auburn Creed would be the guiding creed of the president, the faculty, and the staff members of A.P.I.

Mary Evelyn Robinson, '99, was especially welcomed by former Alumni President William F. "Bill" Byrd, '21, who presided over the meeting. Short talks were delivered by Coach Earl Brown and Athletic Director Wilbur Hutton.

Travis Ingram, treasurer of the Alumni Association, gave his annual report. Mr. Ingram's talk was followed by a report of Alumni Execu-



Alumni gather in front of Langdon before their 1948 annual meeting, Homecoming Day. In the right inset

(l. to r.) Sam Browne, '01, J. C. Floyd, '12, Frank Boyd, '14, and H. K. Elliott, '14 give a WAR EAGLE

tive Secretary Harry M. Davis, '32, who spoke upon the many activities of the Association.

New officers of the Association for 1948-49 were then elected. Frank M. Malone, '28, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph's Alabama Manager, was chosen president, and the new executive committee is composed of Cleburne A. Basore, '14; Samuel H. Browne, '01; William F. Byrd, '21; Frank P. Currie, '29; W. D. Hall, '11; and Fred W. Osborn, '22.

The Football Game

In a hard-fought game with La. Tech, the Bengal eleven were up against it for more than two hours. The final score was a tie, 13-13.

Skitch Henderson and his famous Capitol recording orchestra played for the two major Homecoming dances, on Friday and Saturday evenings. A concert was given on Saturday morning from 10 to 12 in the Student Activity Building.

During halftime of the football game with La. Tech, Francis Carter, Miss Homecoming, was presented to alumni and students.



Ann Draughon, daughter of Auburn's new president, fills out a registration tag for Gen. R. E. Noble, '90

Research . . . Instruction . . . Extension

Research in Economics And Business Administration

By Russell S. Poor
Dean, Graduate School

FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS before the war, the Department of Economics offered a complete program of graduate courses and research work leading to the Master's degree. During and immediately following the war members of the staff were drawn off by industrial and governmental agencies to the point where this department was unable to participate in a graduate program in its former vigorous manner; therefore, graduate work was suspended.



Dean Poor years, and at the time when he came to Auburn, he was teaching economics at the University of North Carolina.

His early training was obtained at the University of Wisconsin, followed by a Master's degree at Ohio State University, and his doctorate at the University of North Carolina.

Experience in industry and war agencies rendered him peculiarly well-fitted to direct a department and teach advanced courses in the field of industrial relations.

Recruits Staff

Dr. Anson immediately set about recruiting a new staff, and in the fall of 1948 the Department of Economics announced the resumption of graduate work on the Master's level in three subject matter areas: accounting, marketing, and personnel management.

The announcement that graduate work will be resumed in this important field was received with wide acclaim by former graduates of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, as well as by

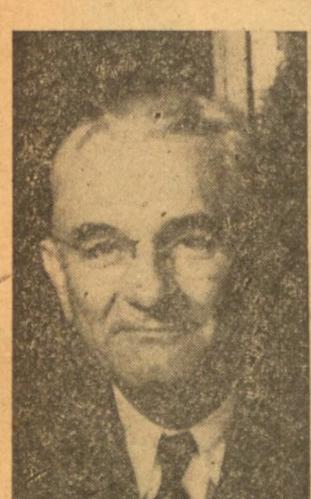
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A.P.I. Ornamental Horticulture Program Expands

By Marion J. Funchess
Director, A.P.I. Agricultural Experiment Station

FACILITIES IN ORNAMENTAL Horticulture at A. P. I., provided by recently released contracts expending approximately \$40,000, should prove an impetus to a multi-million dollar business in Alabama. Estimates place the present value of floral and nursery products grown in Alabama at six to eight million dollars.

The flower shops in Alabama do an annual business of about three to four million dollars.



Director Funchess additions to the facilities and funds for Ornamental Horticulture assure

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Registration and Orientation of Freshmen

EDITOR'S NOTE: Guest columnists Charles W. Edwards, A.P.I. Registrar, and T. C. Clark, Director of Student Affairs, have compiled this month's instruction column on registration and orientation of Auburn Freshmen.

THE FOLLOWING FIGURES reflect the present size of Auburn, recent growth, and the institution's contribution in higher education since its establishment in 1872.

Enrollment in 1872 was 103; 1880—229; 1890—254; 1900—384; 1910—760; 1920—1,273; 1930—1,797; 1940—3,765; 1948—8,777.

Of last year's net enrollment of 8,777, 7,277 were men and 1,500 were women. Enrollment by school was Agriculture, 1,061; Architecture and the Arts, 695; Chemistry, 365; Education, 1,413; Engineering, 2,425; Home Economics, 303; Pharmacy, 298; Science and Literature, 1,937; Veterinary Medicine, 279; Graduate Studies, 382. About one-sixth of this enrollment was from outside Alabama, including students from 40 states and 13 foreign countries.

Prior to the war, the largest enrollment for a single term was 3,800. The enrollment of 7,620 to date for the Fall Quarter is twice the largest pre-war term enrollment and compares with 7,211 in the Fall Quarter of 1947.

Approximately 57,000 different individual students have attended since 1872. The institution has awarded a total of 15,180 degrees. In 1947-48, we graduated 1,470 students. We expect to graduate 2,000 in 1948-49.

Questions often asked by alumni contemplating the present large enrollments at Auburn are: "How do you handle registration for such large numbers?" and "How do you get your freshmen adjusted to their new environment?" Our plan of registration of students and orientation of freshmen is too intricate for brief explanation, so here we can make only a few general statements.

We can say, however, that after considerable study the college committee on registration has developed a plan under which both registration of students and the adjusting of freshmen to their new situation is done with reasonable facility and with the absence of long, impatient waiting lines.

Registration

The largest registration each year is for the fall quarter. Registration to date for this fall quarter is 7,620. Of these, some 1,100 are freshmen entering college for the first time, and 600 are transfers from other institutions.

Approximately 2,000 were students who attended in the spring quarter but did not return for the summer quarter. Some 3,600 who were in attendance during the summer quarter returned for the fall quarter.

The problem of registration is reduced by a plan of pre-registration, under which the 3,600 students enrolled in the summer quarter who were continuing, planned their courses of study with the deans of their respective schools and paid fees to the bursar during the closing weeks of the summer quarter.

This left approximately 3,600 spring quarter students, entering freshmen, and transfers to be registered during the official registration period, September 23-25. They were registered with relative ease and absence of long waiting lines through a process of central registration in the Student Activity Building.

Some 200 members of the faculty and administrative staff assisted in the work. Students registering at the end of any registration period get the poorest choice of sections and, in many cases, do not secure satisfactory schedules. So that the same students will not be faced with this same difficulty, the alphabetic order is reversed from quarter to quarter.

By close planning and excellent cooperation

The Extension Service And Organizations of Farmers

By P. O. Davis

Director, A.P.I. Agricultural Extension Service
THE RELATION of A.P.I. Extension Service workers to organized farmers is confusing to some people. To us, however, it is very simple.

Our work with organized groups, the same as individuals, is educational. We believe in organized agriculture. In fact, we're certain that

a big organization of farmers with a sound and constructive program and able leaders is essential to the welfare of all farmers.

So we encourage farmers to work together through their own organizations, organized by farmers and operated by farmers for farmers. An organization that improves agriculture and farm people helps everybody.

It's improper, of course, for extension workers to solicit members for an organization or to manage or to assist in managing an organization, other than information.

It is likewise improper for an extension worker to do individual work on a farm, except to the extent that it is necessary for sound and efficient teaching, or as a demonstration.

The Farm Bureau

Most inquiries about organization relationships concern the farm bureau. This organization grew out of Extension Service work and came into being to make greater use of extension information through organization and cooperation.

In relation to a county agent, a county farm bureau is similar to organized classes in colleges in their relationship to the professor in charge. His work with them is teaching; and the same is true of the county agent, or other extension worker.

The Difference

But students in college and farmers have different objectives. Students are in college to learn and then apply that information immediately. This takes them into economic and legislative problems; and, thus, difficulties arise and questions are raised.

Extension teaching has a different approach from college teaching. It's for immediate application; and it must work out in practice if the extension worker succeeds.

Most states have farm bureaus; and, in all these states, they're not only for students of extension workers but very helpful to the extension service and all other divisions of the land-grant college in their respective states.

While the farm bureau grew out of extension work it is the duty of extension workers to do educational work with all organizations and groups having a sound program and a friendly attitude. In the same way, we work with individuals. Our work is public, democratic, and scientific for all of the people.

Next Month: The home division of extension work.

on the part of department heads, and by scheduling classes from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., we are able to handle the enrollment fairly satisfactorily. Class cards for each subject are pre-punched, so that the size of sections and distribution of students to sections throughout the day may be controlled.

Using the I.B.M. punch-card system, the

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"WRECK TECH" Is Cry
On College Street;

Alumnalities

1893

In a recent letter to the Alumni Office R. Leslie "Bob" Newman, of Tampa, Fla., sent words of praise for Mike Donahue, Auburn football coach during the first years of this century. Mr. Newman had seen Mike's description of the last Auburn-Alabama game, in the June *Alumnews*, and he wrote one brief sentence which expresses all of Auburn's opinion of Mike Donahue: "I admired 'Mike' and his clear, clean work." We are thankful to Mike for his aid in establishing Auburn as a football power, and we are thankful to Mr. Newman for expressing our opinion so concisely.

S. L. Toomer, a member of Auburn's Board of Trustees, is October Alumnus of the Month.

1897

Edward C. Mandy, who majored in A.P.I.'s mechanical engineering course, now resides in Birmingham, Ala.

1898

C. E. Harrison is residing in Atlanta, Ga. His address is here given for those members of the class of '98 who may wish to contact him: 43 Golf Circle, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

1903

Dr. H. F. Troutman resides in Logan, West Virginia, where he is practicing medicine.

1904

Dr. Jack V. Pierson is practicing medicine in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Pierson's office is located in the Medical Arts Building there.

1908

Henry H. Booth resides in Anniston, Ala. Mr. Booth is an active member of the Alumni Association, as are most of the members of the class of '08. This class ranked first in percentage contributing to the First Greater Auburn Fund.

1909

Lewis H. Houston is connected with the Peoples Drug Company, in Hartselle, Ala.

1912

Dr. Charles C. Thach, of Long Island, N.Y., a Life Member of the Association, has been keeping us posted on Willard Nixon's progress with the Scranton Miners. Willard, who made quite a showing on the Auburn baseball team last spring, was signed up by Scranton in June.

1913

McDonald Pearson has his residence in Birmingham, Ala. Mr. Pearson majored in A.P.I.'s agricultural education course.

1914

Dr. Redding S. Sugg, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine at API, was recently elected third vice-president of the American Veterinary Medicine Association.

Manly F. Meador, retired lieutenant colonel, now resides in Faundale, Ala.

Col. Henry W. Robinson is

now on duty at the Pentagon Building, Washington, D.C. Mr. Robinson and his wife, the former Helen Brewer, of Auburn, Ala., are residing at their newly purchased home in Arlington, Va.

1916

Alumni have been very responsive to the request for *Glomeratas* missing in our files, which appeared in the June *Alumnews*. Dr. Wylie M. Billing of Wilmington, Delaware, March Alumnus of the Month, recently forwarded three of the missing issues to us.

1917

Dr. Elmer B. Campbell is practicing medicine in St. Petersburg, Fla.

George R. Bowling is connected with the Collins Drug Company, LaFayette, Ala.

1919

Raymond B. Kelly, manager of the Texas Producing Division of the Pure Oil Company, in Fort Worth, Tex., has notified us that he plans to attend the Auburn-Tulane game in New Orleans. We hope to be able to see many alumni from the Southwest at that game.

George S. Leatherbury now resides in Mobile, Ala. Mr. Leatherbury studied the agricultural education course at A.P.I.

C. Eric Carlovitz, of Hattiesburg, Miss., dropped by the Alumni Office in August. Mr. Carlovitz has a son who entered Auburn in September.

1920

Selman L. Threadgill owns the Threadgill Pharmacy, in Decatur, Ga.

1923

John S. Cross, of Bethesda, Md., recently returned to the United States after a two-and-one-half month trip to Europe.

J. H. Jackson is now connected with the Florida Agricultural Supply Company, in Jacksonville, Fla.

W. L. Bross, who obtained his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering, resides in Greenwood, S.C.

Harold C. Floyd has his residence in Fort Thomas, Ky. Mr. Floyd received his B.S. degree from Auburn in chemical engineering.

George L. Harris is owner of the Harris Radio Service in Grady, Ala.

1924

Dr. Herman D. Jones is Director of the Fulton County, Ga., Scientific Crime Laboratory. Dr. Jones' office is located in Atlanta, Ga.

1925

Mrs. A. T. East, who obtained her B.S. degree from Auburn in education, has her residence in Ashland, Ala.

1926

We wish to extend a "thank you" to Mrs. G. H. Mandy, of Birmingham, Ala., and to all the other alumni who so quickly responded to our published request for "lost" *Glomeratas*. Mrs. Mandy forwarded *Glomeratas* for the years 1925 and 1926.

1927

Frank T. Walsh has his residence listed as being in Bristol, Tenn.

1928

Merritt Burns owns the Burns Electric Company, in Dothan, Ala. Mr. Burns is a member of Sigma Nu social fraternity and has been very helpful to the Alumni Office in locating "lost alumni."

Maurice M. Payne, of Mobile, Ala., is connected with the Mobile Contracting Company.

Alton C. Edwards now resides in Tyler, Ala.

1929

Frank L. Laseter, mechanical engineering graduate of A.P.I., is living down in the heavenly hurricane portion of Florida. Mr. Laseter has his home in Miami Beach. He is Vice President and General Manager of the E. G. Gondas Company, with offices in Miami, Fla.

Graduate Work

After receiving his B.S. here, Mr. Laseter took graduate work at Georgia Tech and Harvard. He spent five years in the Engineering Corps during World War II—three years of which were in Europe—and was mustered out as a lieutenant colonel. Now, not only is Mr. Laseter Vice President and General Manager of the E. G. Gondas Co., but he is also part owner of that business.

1930

James Streeter Waitt, who obtained his bachelor's degree in architecture, resides in Montgomery, Ala.

Col. Ernest W. Howell is Deputy State Director of the Selective Service System in Alabama. His offices are in the Headquarters of the Selective Service System in Montgomery, Ala.

Dr. Thomas C. Dykes is associated with Dr. W. W. Ellis in the practice of optometry at Ellis Jewelry and Optical Company, Birmingham, Ala. Dr. Dykes served in the Air

Corps during World War II, and before his discharge, he held the rank of lieutenant colonel. He holds the doctor of optometry degree from Northern Illinois College of Optometry.

1931

Mrs. Earl A. Barks, the former Catherine E. Lowe, and her husband, a member of the class of '25, own and operate Lake Condy, a swimming resort just outside of Opelika, Ala., on the LaFayette Highway. Mrs. Barks is also representative in that area for the Hospital Service Corporation, the Blue Cross plan in Alabama.

Maj. William W. Hill is attending a nine-weeks advanced artillery course at the Anti-Aircraft and Guided Missile Branch of the Artillery School at Fort Bliss. Maj. Hill entered the Army in 1941. He was field representative for General Electric X-Ray Corporation prior to accepting a commission in the regular Army.

Stanford A. "Abie" Hardin, recipient of the B.S. degree in mechanical engineering, resides in Florence, Ala. Mr. Hardin has been active in alumni activities for many years.

1932

Thomas L. Crew is proprietor of the Marion Electric and Appliance Company, in Marion, Ala.

President of the Auburn Club of Central Mississippi is W. E. "Bill" Rogers. Mr. Rogers is Medical Service Representative for the Eli Lilly and Company, with his offices located in Jackson, Miss. He also holds down the presidency of the Drug Travelers of Mississippi.

Marries U. of A. Girl

Mr. Rogers is married to the former Sarah Rutherford, of Monroeville, Ala., alumna of the University of Alabama. He says that he has "three distinct results to show that Alabama and Auburn will mix—namely Sarah R., age 14; Bill, Jr., 12; and Leslie, 8." And we're looking forward to receiving your

"Tech Has A Team"

We've Gotta Beat!"

children as Auburn students before too long, Bill!

Thanks to William G. Little, of Linden, Ala., for giving us the whereabouts of a temporarily "lost" alumnus.

Maxwell M. Caskie, Jr., who studied pre-law at Auburn, has his offices in the Barr Building, Washington, D.C. Mr. Caskie resides in North Arlington, Va.

1933

Maj. Russell Porter Grant has pulled out of Fort Knox, Ky., and now has an overseas address. He may be reached by his friends at the following address: USAMGIK-DIS, A. P. O. 235—Unit 2, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Assistant Coach

Before entering service in 1941, Maj. Grant had served as Assistant Coach at both Auburn and the University of Kentucky. He was Alumni Secretary at A.P.I. from 1938-1941. Maj. Grant was a member of Blue Key and Scabbard and Blade while a student here, and he played football in '29, '30, '31 and '32. From 1930-1933 he was a member of the baseball team here, being co-captain of the team of '33.

Maj. Grant is a member of Sigma Nu social fraternity.

E. Joe Pate owns the Pate Supply Company in Birmingham, Ala.

Euland M. Rushing now resides in Clanton, Ala. Mr. Rushing was a member of the Ag Club while a student at A.P.I.

William G. Beatty has his residence in Milton, Fla. Mr. Beatty received his B.S. degree in agricultural education.

William J. Bartoldus, who obtained his degree in architectural engineering, resides in Long Island, N.Y.

1934

Mrs. Frank Van de Mark, formerly assistant extension specialist in foods at A.P.I., was named assistant professor of home economics on September 15. Mrs. Van de Mark received her M.A. degree from Columbia University in 1939. She is a member of Theta Epsilon, honorary home economics fraternity, and was associated with the A.P.I. Extension Service for nine years.

Fred Brower has his address listed as being in Memphis, Tenn. Mr. Brower majored in the business administration course here.

Mrs. W. H. McGiboney, the former Inez Thames, has changed her address from Evergreen, Ala., to Birmingham, Ala.

Leo H. Dennis is Executive Director of the Housing Authority in Phenix City, Ala.

President of the USCO Power Equipment Corp., in Birmingham, Ala., is J. H. Assell, a member of the class of '34.

Lt. Col. Henry N. Parrish has changed his address from Dayton, Ohio, to overseas. His new address may be obtained from the Alumni Association by his friends.

William H. Morrison, Auburn civil engineering graduate and a member of Delta Sigma Phi while a student, is with the Portland Cement Association in Memphis, Tenn.

Capt. Tom L. Nash has noted (continued on page ten)



Ben Gilmer is now assistant vice president in Southern Bell's financial department

THE AUBURN ALUMNEWS



At a Pentagon ceremony in Washington, D. C., Major Francis K. Bagby, right, was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon

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fied us that the Far East Auburn Club (with headquarters in Tokyo) now has a total paid up membership of 12. That's good work you and all the other alumni in Japan are doing, Tom.

1935

Clarence C. Scarborough has been granted a leave of absence from API, where he has been associate professor of agricultural education, to study for a doctor of education degree at the University of Illinois. Mr. Scarborough received both his B.S. and M.S. from Auburn. While a student, he was president of Alpha Gamma Rho, vice president of the Ag Club, member of the Alabama Farmer staff, and a member of Gamma Sigma Delta, agricultural honorary fraternity.

Active in Community

Mr. Scarborough has been very active in Auburn civic and religious organizations. He has been chairman of the Kiwanis Community Service and a member of the Board of Directors. He is a member of the Board of Deacons at the First Baptist Church and teacher of a Sunday School class there.

Mrs. Scarborough and his three-year-old daughter, "Suzy," will accompany Professor Scarborough to Illinois.

Alex C. Pate, who is associated in the Pate Company, Birmingham, Ala., contractors, recently changed his address from Birmingham's Southside section to Mountain Brook, Ala.

Bernard H. Kronenberg now has his residence in Jasper, Ala.

1936

David T. Jennings, Jr. is connected with David T. Jennings and Son, distributors, contractors and engineers in Americus, Ga.

James E. Vance, assistant cashier in the Bond Department of the Birmingham First National Bank, says that he plans to visit Auburn in the fall. You'll be welcome any time, Jim.

George B. Hughey has joined Merck and Company, Inc., manufacturing chemists of Rahway, N.J., as a chemical engineer in research and development. Mr. Hughey is married and has three children.

Vice President and Textile Engineer of the Morton Machine Works, Columbus, Ga., is **Pearce E. Jackson**, member of the class of '36.

Walton T. Reeves is now situated in Birmingham, Ala.

1937

Lt. Col. Sam E. McCroskey and Mrs. McCroskey, the former Ella Frances South, also a member of the class of '37, are presently located at the Mitchell Air Force Base in New York.

Edward W. Briggs and Mrs. Briggs, also a member of the class of '37, are currently making their home in Oxnard, Calif.

Dr. D. R. Blue is now practicing medicine in Bessemer, Ala. After leaving Auburn he took his graduate work at the University of Ala., and at Tulane. Since his discharge from the Army in '46, Dr. Blue has been very active in alumni affairs.

1938

Joe I. Griffin, a business administration graduate, now resides in Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. Frank G. Doar, formerly Sarah Emily Goode, makes her home in Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. H. W. Allsup is now practicing dentistry in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Allsup is a very active member of the Atlanta Auburn Club and is currently serving as its secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Phillip W. Tedder, who took his D.V.M. degree in '38, is now residing in Birmingham, Ala.

1939

William E. Vinson has moved from Macon, Ga., to Thomasville, Ga.

James G. Brown received his masters degree in June of '48 at the University of Michigan, where he attended the School of Public Health. He returned to the Barry County Health Dept. in Hastings, Mich., where he had been employed since January, 1948, as Public Health Engineer.

John Eayres Davis, Jr. writes a very interesting letter in which he points out that the organization of Warren, Knight, and Davis, Architects, of Birmingham, Ala., have a lively group of alumni connected with the firm. Among those whom he mentions are his father, John Eayres Davis, Sr., '11, also William T. Warren, '37, Albion Knight, '39, and Thomas G. Wingo, '13. All these men reside in Birmingham.

Mr. Curtis W. Griffith has just completed law school at the University of Alabama, and is now connected with the Chief Counsel's office of the

ME Graduate Francis K. Bagby, '39, Receives Army Commendation Ribbon

MAJOR Francis K. Bagby, '39, of Birmingham, Ala., has received the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service in the Office of the Air Engineer at USAF Headquarters, from August, 1945, to May, 1947, the United States Air Force announced in September.

The award was presented by Major General Grandison Gardner, Director of Installations, at a ceremony at Air Force headquarters.

Maj. Bagby, who is assistant chief of the Supply and Equipment Branch in the Office of the Air Engineer, has served with the Air Force for more than eight years. During World War II, he served with the 824th Aviation Engineer Battalion in Iceland and with the Engineer Command of the Ninth Air Force in England, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany.

Gets Present Position

He returned to the United States in May, 1945, and three months later was appointed to his present position: assistant chief of the Supply and Equipment Branch.

In May, 1947, Maj. Bagby entered the graduate school of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and a year later

Bureau of Internal Revenue in Washington, D.C.

1940

William B. Carroll, '40, is now at the University of Illinois, working on his master in electrical engineering.

Mrs. Mary E. Thompson, formerly Mary E. Yates, is now residing in Ashland, Ala.

1941

James Price Whitman, Jr. has his residence in Hooks, Tex. Mr. Whitman's wife, **Mrs. Nanette Eagar Whitman**, is a member of the class of '42.

Mrs. Robert Law, the former Beatrice Rains, now makes her home in San Diego, Calif.

We were glad to hear recently from **Henry I. Flinn, Jr.** of Folmar and Flinn, Operative Builders, in Montgomery, Ala. Both Mr. Flinn and his partner, **James Folmar**, are alumni of Auburn, Mr. Folmar being a member of the class of '39. One of their Montgomery projects was featured in the August issue of the *Alumnews*.

Mildred E. Bynum has her residence in Bynum, Ala., where she is teaching vocational home economics at the Hatton High School.

S. W. Dudley, Jr. who studied veterinary medicine at A.P.I., now calls Benton, Ala., his home town.

1942

Mrs. Robert Anderson, the former Margaret Spidle, is Junior Home Economist with the Good Housekeeping Institute in New York City. Mrs. Anderson has an article and her picture in the October issue of *Good Housekeeping* magazine. Mrs. Anderson's husband, also a member of the class of '42, is a graduate fellow at New York University. Mr. Anderson is studying for a Ph.D. degree.

Wayne B. Nelson is Assistant Vice President of the Young and Vann Supply Company in Birmingham, Ala.

J. T. Cope, Jr. has changed (continued on next page)

he received his M.S. degree in mechanical engineering. He then returned to his assignment at Air Force headquarters.

Commissioned

After graduating from A.P.I., Maj. Bagby was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Engineer Reserve. He entered on active duty in July, 1940, and was attached to the Air Force, with which he has served since. Last October he received his regular commission.

Maj. Bagby and his wife, the former Elizabeth Alicia Sandele, of Ostende, Belgium, whom he met and married in Paris, have one daughter, Sonja Alicia, age three.

The Citation

The citation accompanying the ribbon given Maj. Bagby reads as follows:

"Major Francis K. Bagby performed meritorious service as Assistant Chief, Supply and Equipment Branch, Office of the Air Engineer, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, from August, 1945, to May, 1947. Major Bagby through the exercise of unusual initiative and judgment and untiring effort, established programs for the development of construction equipment for the use of the Army Air Forces to perform its world-wide mission."

Deaths

Funeral services were held at the first of September in Shelby, N.C., for Lt. Raymond E. Yarbrough, who was killed in action in San Pietro, Italy, on December 12, 1943.

Allen Dunn Collins, '25, a registered professional engineer with the Alabama State Highway Department since 1925, died suddenly at his residence in Selma, Ala., in September. The entire period of Mr. Collins' professional life had been spent in the employ of the State of Alabama, excepting three years when he was with the city engineering department at Columbus, Ga.

CE Graduate

Mr. Collins graduated from Auburn in civil engineering. As a student here, he was a member of Scabbard and Blade and of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity. In Selma, Mr. Collins held membership in the Exchange Club and on the Board of Stewards of the Church Street Methodist Church.

Births

A daughter, Pamela Steele, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack N. Huie, of Inglewood, Calif., on May 15. Mrs. Huie is a member of the class of '40.

A son, James Michael, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James B. Williams, of Auburn, Ala., on August 4. Mr. Williams is a member of the class of '46.

Twin sons, Gordon Blackstone and Gerrard Blackstone, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Hughes, of Pittsburgh, Penna., on June 25. Mr. Hughes is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and the class of '31.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Van Cleave on July 12. Mr. Van Cleave is now a student at Auburn and a member of the class of '50.

Wedding BELLS

Poe-Park

Murray Claire Poe, of Atlanta, Ga., to Henry Birham Park, Jr., '46, of Atlanta and La Grange, Ga., in August.

Collins-Smith

Julia Claire Collins to Albert James Smith, Jr., '47, of Montgomery, Ala., and Pittsburgh, Penna., on September 8.

Fletcher-Baker

Virginia Fletcher, '48, of Auburn, Ala., to Robert Erwin Baker, '47, of Anniston, Ala., on October 5. Mrs. Baker was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority at A.P.I. Mr. Baker was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

Jones-Allen

Emmalyn Posey Jones, '48, of Opelika, Ala., to Henry Claude Allen, Jr., '48, now a student of law at Emory, on September 8. Mrs. Allen was a member of Kappa Delta sorority at Auburn, and has been employed since graduation in the personnel office of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company, Opelika. Mr. Allen was a member of the Auburn Debate Council and of Delta Sigma Pi, honorary business fraternity.

Lyle-McCleskey

Mary Messinger Lyle, of Watertown, Mass., to Joseph Rae McCleskey, Jr., '42, of Gadsden, Ala., and Daytona Beach, Fla., on October 9.

Brown-Rice

Daphne Brown, '48, of Auburn, Ala., to Samuel Stone Rice, Jr., '49, of Huntsville, Ala. on October 1. Mrs. Rice is a former member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. Mr. Rice is a member of Sigma Nu social fraternity.

Green-Cornwell

Lettie Craig Green, '48, of Montgomery, Ala., to Dr. William Virgil Cornwell, of Monticello and Americus, Ga., on August 7. Mrs. Cornwell was chosen the most outstanding woman graduate of 1948. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and, in her senior year, was president of the Women's Student Government Association.

Powell-Henson

Aurelia Powell, '47, of Columbus, Ga., and Auburn, Ala., to Elbert Curtis Henson, '50, of Camden, Ala., on September 1. Mrs. Henson, before her graduation, was actively engaged in Baptist Student Work. She is a member of the Southeastern Section of the American Physical Society. Mr. Henson is a junior in agricultural education, president of the Baptist Student Union here, and a member of Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity.

Ingram-Lambert

Barbara Loraine Ingram, '48, of Auburn, Ala., to John Lawrence Lambert, on September 4.

Hillyer-Hepler

Mavis Ellagene Hillyer, of Opelika, Ala., to Wayne Wesley Hepler, '48, of New Kensington, Penna., on August 28.

Jackson-VanGilder

Sarah Ellen Jackson, '47, of Auburn, Ala., to John C. VanGilder, of Newton, Iowa, on August 11.

Continuations

With the Faculty

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the West is A. E. Lambert, from Colorado, who has an M.A. from Phillips University.

Miss Flora Sarinopolos, with an M.A. from New Mexico, has joined the foreign languages department.

Joining the history faculty is M. C. McMillan, who holds a Ph.D. from North Carolina, and who taught at Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham, Ala. H. D. Reagan and H. N. Hamner, both holding M.A.'s from Emory, have been added to the history department.

J. E. Kendrick returns as associate professor of history after a year's leave of absence from A.P.I. to obtain his Ph.D. at North Carolina.

The mathematics department has added three members, W. I. Layton, who holds his Ph.D. from Peabody, Dr. John C. Currie, who comes from LSU, and J. B. Crawford, with a B.S. from the U. S. Military Academy.

H. E. Carr, formerly of the faculty at Annapolis, joins the physics department. He holds his Ph.D. from the University of Virginia. Another newcomer to the physics group is David Sayre.

Research in Economics and BA

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graduates of other institutions. A number of graduate teaching assistantships were established, which have resulted in the appointment of a number of young men and young women from five different undergraduate institutions.

Better Caliber Work

The renewed vigor displayed by the department, enlivened by new staff and new graduate students, indicates that we may expect the research problems of these energetic graduate students to be of higher caliber.

Perhaps, a year hence we shall be able to give you an insight into some of the actual research findings which are now just around the corner.

Ornamental Horticulture

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expansion of research and instruction in this important field at A. P. I.

\$40,000 for Work

In 1947, the Alabama Legislature authorized the Department of Agriculture and Industries to transfer \$20,000 of its funds to the Alabama Polytechnic Institute to construct greenhouses for research work. The college added the same amount to construct greenhouses for instructional purposes.

Increases in annual funds for personnel and operation have come from the same sources. The technical staff of one member is being increased to four. An expanded curriculum and enlarged research program have been approved.

The Ornamental Horticulture program will be integrated with and supplemented by the College Arboretum, soon to be formally started.

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his address from Tallahassee, Fla., to Ithaca, N.Y. Mr. Cope is with the Department of Agronomy at Cornell University in Ithaca.

1943

Mrs. Frances A. Smith, the former Frances G. Arant, now resides in Luverne, Ala.

Ella Frances Dobson's address is in Wedowee, Ala. Miss Dobson did graduate work at

A.P.I. during this past summer.

C. W. Horton has notified us that Dr. Ralph Williams, '07, who was featured in the June Alumnews, is also National President of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and was the Chief Installation Officer when Beta Lambda Chapter was installed at Auburn in July, 1947, points which our writer missed in the story. Mr. Horton, former associate editor of the Auburn Plainsman, is now with the Alabama Power Company.

1944

Billy Stephenson may be contacted by his friends at the Stephenson Hardware and Appliance Company, Hartselle, Ala.

Dr. Lawrence W. Cottle has his own veterinary hospital in Mobile, Ala.

Asa B. Fuller, II, has his home address listed as being in Augusta, Ga.

1945

Thanks to Dr. Jesse D. Derrick, veterinarian of Monte-

zuma, Ga., for helping us find a "missing" alumnus.

1946

William Coghill Pearson who received a master's degree in business administration from Harvard in June, is now a trainee in the Business Management Division, The Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana.

Olin B. Barnes has his own business as Furniture Manufacturers Representative in Birmingham, Ala.

1947

Walton L. Minor teaches vocational agriculture in Gordo, Ala. Mr. Minor changed his address from Hamilton, Ala., to Gordo in September.

Carolyn McCrary is Assistant Home Demonstration Agent in Fayette, Ala.

Dr. Belmont Kittrell is practicing veterinary medicine in Weldon, N.C.

Jack H. Wilson has changed his address from Sheffield, Ala., to Hampton, Va.

Book Review

HUGH DAVIS AND HIS ALABAMA PLANTATION (177 pp.)—Dr. Weymouth T. Jordan—University of Alabama Press (\$3.00).

THERE HAS NOT YET BEEN written a more complete analytic study of the sociological and economic difficulties encountered by a Southern plantation owner preceding, during, and succeeding the Civil War than Dr. Weymouth T. Jordan's recently published "Hugh Davis and His Alabama Plantation."

In his latest work, Dr. Jordan has put the farm records of one Hugh Davis, plantation owner, in an interesting form. Relying upon Davis' personal records and upon intensive scrutiny of further primary and even more secondary material, the author makes his scholarly comments from a fortification of facts and study.

Along with the records and personal papers of Hugh Davis, a typical Black Belt plantation, Beaver Bend, is fully described in the antebellum, war, and post bellum periods.

The Story

Hugh Davis, the son of a successful planter who owned land near DeSoto, Mississippi, trained himself for the law profession and moved in 1834 to the frontier town of Marion, Alabama, where he practiced law.

In 1840, he began to acquire land and in 1848 owned 3,662 acres, with which he began his plantation. It was not until 1851 that he and his family moved to Beaver Bend.

The plantation was located in a bend of the Cahaba River; hence the name: "Beaver Bend." Beginning with "eighteen adult slaves," Hugh Davis set up a rather elaborate system of farm management which called for a white overseer.

Overseers a Problem

The overseers were a constant problem to Davis, and he often dismissed them if they didn't prove competent or carry out orders promptly. Possibly because of his training as a lawyer, Davis insisted that his overseers keep a daily record of the work performed and of less consequential matters.

Management of slaves was handled in the accepted manner of the day, and Davis, who looked well after their health and well-being, was considered somewhat lenient in his treatment of them.

While, in the modern sense, he couldn't be



Weymouth T. Jordan, author of "Hugh Davis and His Alabama Plantation," is a member of A.P.I.'s faculty

called a scientific farmer, Davis conducted many experiments to find ways of improving his crops and land. He was particularly interested in fertilizer and tried new-fangled mixtures which were at that time, to say the least, premature.

Author Jordan expertly portrays the turning of planter-aristocrat Davis' children to other pursuits when post-Civil War farming at Beaver Bend proved a failure.

"Hugh Davis and His Alabama Plantation" is written for the general reader as well as for professional historians.

The Author

Dr. Jordan has had long experience as a writer of historical narrative and didactic material. He has edited and written more than a score of essays for history magazines. Two books prepared before "Hugh Davis" bear his by-line: "The Biography of George Washington Campbell" and "George Washington Campbell, Statesman of the Old Southwest."

Now research professor of history at A.P.I., Dr. Jordan has held positions in nine Southern colleges. Being a member of numerous professional historical societies, he is widely recognized as a scholar in his field.

A member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, Dr. Jordan is married and has two children.

a member of the student body as student leader. These faculty advisors and student leaders direct the activities of their groups.

During the first two days the freshmen are put through a program of placement testing, medical examinations, deans' convocations, visits to the college library, and other activities which have for their purpose orienting the student to his new environment. The third day of registration is set aside for planning of schedules and completing registration.

A revised student handbook called the "Tiger Cub" has been published this quarter. This book is an enlarged and more complete edition of the "Rat Bible," known to students of former years.

\$\$46,288.68\$\$

That's the total of your contributions to the First Greater Auburn Fund!!!

October 2, 1948 Mr. W. F. Byrd, President, Auburn Alumni Association, Inc., Gadsden, Alabama.	Attached is a complete report of the collections, expenditures and disbursements for the period beginning September 1, 1947 of the Auburn Alumni Association, Inc., for the period beginning September 1, 1947 and ending August 31, 1948. All items are supported by itemized vouchers properly audited and recorded.	19,817.25 232.75 15,310.63 35,380.63 4,046.40 31,334.23 .00 28,752.05 33,105.93 1,891.85 34,997.78 24,191.55 10,806.23 \$42,140.46
SECTION I. Alumni Association Fund Income (a) Dues of Members (b) Miscellaneous	Balance on Hand 9/1/47 Total Balances and Income (a) Capital Equipment (b) Alumnews (c) Other expenses	2,050.82 593.00 1,402.58
SECTION II. Greater Auburn Fund Income (a) For Restricted Purposes (b) For Unrestricted Purposes (c) Scholarships	Balance on Hand 8/31/48 Total Balances and Income (a) To Scholarship Committee Disbursements (a) To Scholarship Committee	4,353.88 28,752.05 33,105.93 1,891.85
SECTION III. Athletic Association Fund Balance on Hand 9/1/47 Transferred to Greater Auburn Fund	Balance on Hand 8/31/48 (\$4,560.50 for Scholarships—\$6,245.73 for Unrestricted Balance on Hand, All Sections	34,997.78 24,191.55 10,806.23
		Yours very truly, W. T. Ingram, Treasurer, Auburn Alumni Association, Inc.

This is the Alumni Treasurer's official report, published annually by the Auburn Alumni Association. Figures are not to be confused with total contributions to the Greater Auburn Fund.

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If you are a graduate or a former student with one quarter or one semester of classwork at A.P.I. you are eligible for membership in the Association. A payment of \$5.00 or more makes you an active member and a contributor.

What Your Association Has Done

It has organized and assisted 40 alumni clubs from Tokyo to New York.

It has built and is adding each day to a geographical file of 15,000 alumni.

It has published, and is publishing, the Auburn Alumnews, at a cost of almost \$7,000 a year.

It has employed an Alumni Secretary and office force who devote their full time to the interests of the College, her graduates, and former students.

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